Ottawa Journal: Canada Day Celebrations

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Canada Day is a celebration of all that is great about our country? it honours our past, our present, and our future.

We are all proud to celebrate Canada's rich history, diverse natural and cultural heritage, strong values, and many accomplishments. At 149 years young, Canada is vibrant, dynamic and as strong as ever.

In Canada, there is so much to be proud of and in celebration of that, Dufferin-Caledon is hosting numerous events taking place on July 1, which help to represent this remarkable country and all of the residents living here.

The Canada Day festivities taking place in Dufferin-Caledon include Downey's Farm on Heart Lake Road in Caledon with delicious food, great company, and tremendous patriotism. For more information, please visit www.downeysfarm.com. Alongside Downey's Farm, is the Caledon Agricultural Society located at the Caledon Fairgrounds in Caledon Village.

Visitors can expect live entertainment, classic cars, a petting zoo, and so much more.

For more information, please visit <u>caledonfair.ca</u>.

Following that celebration, there is the annual celebration at the Orangeville Legion (7 John Street). This is always a wonderful ceremony, and it begins at 2 p.m. followed by a big BBQ with music, refreshments, and mingling. For more information, please call 519-942-4895.

The events continue with Amaranth's celebrations on 6th Line, including fantastic food provided by the Orangeville Lions Club, along with short speeches and entertainment. For more information, please call 519-941-1007.

There is also the Town of Orangeville's Canada Day events located at the Alder Street Recreation Centre. The festivities will consist of free swims, laser tag, kids' activities, cake-cutting, and fireworks at 10 p.m. over at Island Lake Conservation Area. For more information, please visit www.orangeville.ca.

The Town of Shelburne's Canada Day celebrations will take place at the Centre Dufferin Recreation Complex. This particular event is filled with fun community activities, including free swims, a tractor pull, a communal BBQ, live music, lots of food, as well as fireworks at dusk. For more information, please visit www.shelburne.ca.

Finally, the Albion Hills Conservation Area in Palgrave is another fun-filled event, complete with lots of Canada Day-themed activities, including: live music, hay rides, magic shows, a splash pad, great food and a spectacular fireworks display at dusk! For more information, please visit trca.ca/caledon-canada-day-celebrations.

Canada's future is bright and on July 1, here in Dufferin-Caledon and across the country, we are proud to celebrate Canada? the best country in the world.

Happy Canada Day!